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TENNESSEE GUARDSMEN TO BORDER

War Department Orders Regiments Now Encamped at Nashville to Proceed to Mexican Border Where They Will Do Patrol Duty.

Gen. Funston Will Station New Arrivals at Fort Clark—Mexican Commissioners Discuss Patrol System With Gen. Bliss.

Washington, Sept. 14.—The Tennessee National Guard, encamped at Nashville, was ordered to the Mexican border today, by the war department.

Orders out of the Tennessee troops in line with the department's policy of giving all of the guardsmen called into the federal service a tour of duty on the border under war conditions before they are mustered out.

El Paso, Texas, Sept. 14.—Gen. Funston announced today that the Tennessee guardsmen assigned to border duty will be stationed at Fort Clark, Tex. The fort is several miles north of the border.

Gen. Bliss With Mediation Board

New London, Sept. 14.—American members of the International Commission meeting here were occupied today with the Mexican conference in investigating the cause and effect of Mexican mining decrees and in advising with Major General Bliss as to the military situation on the border. There is little prospect that the joint commission will return to the formulation of a border protocol until the American members have reached a tentative agreement among themselves as to the wisest course to pursue. They will then present their ideas to their Mexican associates for general discussion. It was indicated today that questions of real estate and other matters in Mexico as they affect American property holders will be looked into by the joint commission when its examination of the mining taxes has been completed. In the case of land taxes under Carranza decrees a punitive damage is assessed against lands lying idle, which has caused the owners to complain to the state department. Amounts to confiscation of their holdings. In the case of mining taxes, Carranza officials have asserted that their purpose was to aid small operators and compel the abandonment of large land holdings for speculative purposes only.

PASTEURIZATION PLANT PLANNED FOR 2 COUNTIES

Redding, Conn., Sept. 14.—A combination of Fairfield and Litchfield county milkmen will be effected at a meeting to be held in Hawleyville next Monday when plans will be formulated for the erection of a pasteurization plant large enough to provide for the needs of the milkmen of both counties. This will be the first action by milkmen since the recent edict of the Bridgeport board of health forbidding the sale in that city of milk with a certain bacterial count. Extensive plans have been formulated by the prime movers in the organization of the milk producers and the main reason for their contemplated action is based on the belief that if the plant is not erected cattle owners will be obliged to sell the milk to the two large corporations which have pasteurization plants, and in that manner the price will be dictated by the corporations. By building a central plant where the milk from both counties may be pasteurized and graded, the cost will be lessened and both milkmen and consumer will benefit in the long run.

The organization is expected to follow out a plan on a larger scale than any which co-operative bodies have tried in the past. These minor associations, which have mostly been ones of state life, have mainly been formulated for the control of prices, which project will be but one of the intentions of this new body.

Many Redding milkmen will attend the producers' meeting.

PREPARE TO MUSTER OUT TENTH MILITIA FIELD ARTILLERY

Preparations to muster out of the United States service the batteries of the Tenth Militia Field Artillery, including the Olympic band of this city, are now under way. Sections of the Yale batteries have arrived at the Niantic rendezvous camp from Tobyhanna, Pa., and the band and other sections are expected to return to Niantic shortly.

Major Frederick J. Adams, chief surgeon Connecticut Coast Artillery Corps, left for Niantic last night where he will have charge of the examination of the troops before the muster out, also of the sanitation of the camp. The Yale batteries probably will be discharged from state service after they are mustered out. The band and the Stamford and Branford batteries will be retained.

RIKER TRUCK TRAIN, TRANSFERRED 800 MILES AT BORDER, MAKES NEW RECORD FOR TIME IN DESERT LAND

Bronzed in the dazzling sun and arid winds of the Mexican borderland, and bringing many stirring tales of the venturesome exploits of motor truck drivers in the United States army service, Frederick W. Beardsley, who has been an assistant truckmaster in the motor truck trains, returned to Bridgeport last night.

Beardsley brought to the Locomotive Co. of America, which has been busy turning out Riker trucks for use on the border, the details of the latest, and perhaps the crowning achievement of Riker trucks, a run of over 800 miles, from Columbus, N. M., to San Antonio, Tex., in 12 days.

The record making run was through territory without any vestige of roadway, with the single exception of a stretch 30 miles out. The fact that the run averaged better than 66 miles a day is regarded as little short of phenomenal. That the train was made up of Riker trucks alone, 31 of them, carrying all the supplies for men and machines, is a source of elation

to the executives of the Locomotive Co., who heard with keen enjoyment, this morning, Beardsley's recital of the events of the trip. The train was commanded by Captain John A. Pearsons.

On one section of the long run, the men were obliged to construct an improvised roadway for 53 miles from firewood from the "chuck" wagon. Elsewhere they encountered handi-caps in streams swollen from torrential rains, long stretches of gumbo mud, these in addition to the extremely difficult travel through the country at its best, with its trackless, heavy, thinly crusted sand for a driving surface. Beardsley reported that the least mileage for one day was three miles, made when the men were kept busy building a roadway. The longest run was 126 miles.

The custom is for the trains to run as a unit. If one truck is disabled, the entire train stops until it is repaired. All the trucks finished the long run in and machines, is a source of elation

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LEGAL ACTION NEARLY CAUSES CLOSING OF HUNTINGTON FAIR GROUND GATES AGAINST PUBLIC

Early comers at the Huntington fair, which opened its gates this morning, were unaware how close they were to seeing little of the agricultural exhibits at close range, for threatened litigation which resulted in a change of ownership all but tied up the property with an injunction.

As a result of hasty conferences between the former partners, Herbert D. Moon, of Fairfield, and Charles B. Weed, of this city, bankers, and Attorneys Chamberlain & Hull, a transfer of all interest in the fair ground property was made to Moon and the Huntington Fair association proceeded with its plans for an injunction.

Behind the incidents which resulted in a resale of the old fair grounds, established in 1878 under the name of the Union Agricultural association, is said to lie a story of foresight and speculation which hardly has an equal in this section during the decade.

The Union Agricultural fair had flourished during the heyday of fairs. Its race course trotted the best horses of the country, state and Eastern circuit, including some owned by Owen J. Keenan of this city, who was later a partner owner in the track with Thomas Morrissey and Dr. Edmund Warren, all known for their "steppers."

During the late 80's interest flagged in racing and farmers exhibited their produce and stock elsewhere. In 1905 the property was owned by Michael H. Ford, who transferred it to Thomas Morrissey, who on December 4 again transferred his interests to Moon and Weed.

It is said that Weed, who under the firm of Nickerson & Weed conducted a house moving business, and Moon, a large contractor, were walking over the property, which had been in disuse for many years. Fences were down, buildings falling in and general decrepitude was apparent on all sides. Amidst this wreck, visions of change and a revival of its former glory sprung to life in the minds of the two builders.

To think was to act and buildings were moved and repaired, fences were up and the fair was opened in 1914 in a small way. Last year it was more successful, each owner contributing toward bringing features to the grounds. A trotting meet was held as a final event last year.

During the winter the partners sought accounts from each other and a division of opinion sprang up over what is believed to be lack of bookkeeping facilities.

The split went so far as to result in threats of injunctions against the opening day, which is being conducted by Moon. Partial purchase from Weed was accomplished by Moon with final payments today at the thirteenth hour before temporary injunctions were to be sought in the superior court.

That preservative is used in milk supplied Bridgeporters was also made known. A case was reported to the bacteriological laboratories of milk was that kept four weeks without souring.

A family went away for two weeks, so goes the report, and the daily milk supply accumulated on the back stoop. It wasn't sour when the family returned, although some had been there two weeks. The family kept the milk two weeks more, intending to make cottage cheese of it. At the end of that time the milk hadn't soured, which was taken to prove that a preservative had been used.

A milk producer who supplied some of the best milk that enters Bridgeport told the bacteriologist today that not one in a thousand Connecticut milkmen know what a throat latch for cows is. Regulation 37 of the new act adopted by the health department requires a throat latch to prevent the flow from lying down between cleaning and milking.

Very little of the milk examined this morning was good. Much of it ran between 400,000 and 1,000,000 bacterial count.

No new cases of poliomyelitis were reported to the health department today.

As a result of the conferences it was indicated that greater attention would be paid to campaigns in Oregon, Washington, Utah, and California, reports leading to the belief that Democratic prospects in those states are excellent.

While the President will make no final plans for leaving here until further developments in the illness of his sister, Mrs. Anna E. Howe, several trips away from Shadow Lawn were discussed tentatively today. Mr. Wilson will go by automobile on Sept. 26 to Princeton, N. J., to vote in the Democratic primaries there.

The President visited the executive offices for the first time today.

Eleven Plague Deaths in New York in Day

New York, Sept. 14.—The report of the progress in the epidemic of infantile paralysis for the 24 hours ending at 11 a. m. today show an increase over the low record of the previous day. There were 36 new cases and 11 deaths reported as against 31 new cases and 9 deaths for the preceding day.

TRACTION STRIKE LEADERS EXPECT OTHERS TO QUIT

Sympathetic Strike By Allied Unions May Be Demanded Soon.

FIVE CARS CRASH ON LINE IN BRONX

Motorists Say Rails Were Covered With Oil During Night.

New York, Sept. 14.—Despite maintenance of regular schedules on the subway and elevated lines of the Interborough Rapid Transit Co. and the gradual restoration of service on the surface lines, leaders of the striking street railway employees declared today that they were far from being defeated. They hinted that the danger of a "sympathetic" strike is not yet over.

Following a parade and demonstration by the strikers the question of a sympathetic strike will be discussed at meetings of the Central Federated Unions of Brooklyn and Manhattan. Strike leaders predict that resolutions favoring a strike among trades allied with the street railway employees will be adopted. Whether a strike will actually take place, however, will depend on the individual votes of the unions, it is asserted.

Traction officials announced today that service in the subway and on the elevated roads was better than normal while service on most of the street car lines was from 25 to 40 per cent. below normal. The railway companies assert that hundreds of their former employees have returned to their work. There was no disorder during the night, due to the vigilance of the police and the order of strike leaders to the men not to congregate on street corners and at car barns. Frequent delays were caused on the elevated lines, however, by men involved in altercations with strikebreaking guards. In order to stop the practice an order was enforced today prohibiting passengers from riding on platforms.

Five trolley cars came together in a rear-end collision on the Westchester Avenue line in the Bronx today and 10 passengers were injured, of whom one was seriously hurt. The accidents occurred at the foot of a steep incline and the car crews, who it is said, were strikebreakers, claimed that the rails had been greased with oil during the night so that the brakes would not hold.

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SUPPLY LACK MAY HOLD UP BRIDGE WORK

Engineers Say Possibility of Beginning Grand Street and East Washington Avenue Jobs is Remote and Other May Be Delayed—Needed Material Can't Be Supplied.

Bridge construction in this city is being materially hampered by the shortage of the steel supply throughout the United States. Delays are not only likely in the completion of the Stratford avenue bridge but the possibility of the Grand street and Washington avenue bridge. Contractors beginning even foundation work soon is questioned in engineering circles today.

It became known today that the west pier for the support of the bascule span of the Stratford avenue bridge has been temporarily abandoned by the contracting firm under their engineer's order, while the east cofferdam was being sunk to its depth and has progressed more rapidly. How long the work will be delayed on the west pier is not definitely known though William Russell, in charge of the Holbrook, Cabot & Rollins contract here, asserted that he hoped to complete it by the end of the month.

It appears that in building the huge wooden cofferdam that was sunk in the form of a caisson, discrepancies in the figures of engineers caused too light a material to be used on the superstructure which is to support the comfort stations. While the lower and deeply submerged portion was sufficiently strong to withhold the weight of concrete needed, the upper section, which must afford absolute waterproof protection to the masonry and the men employed in the work was found to be too light for actual work on the Grand street bridge.

Hurry orders for the needed supply met with ill success in the contractors' supply houses of New York and elsewhere. The steel mills refused to take orders for delivery within two years.

The Holbrook, Cabot & Rollins officials here assert that they are now pulling up a sufficient quantity in New York in front of the post office alley this afternoon. He was treated at the emergency hospital. The bicycle was demolished. No arrests were made as the blame was placed by the police on Moriarty.

THE WEATHER

Overcast tonight and Friday, probably showers; cooler Friday; gentle moderate winds.

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KAISER TO SEND 200,000 TROOPS TO THE BALKANS

Great Campaign is Mapped Out at Headquarters of Teutonic Allies.

GREEKS SURRENDER ALL KAVALA FORTS

French and Serbian Troops Are Making Gains in New Offensive.

London, Sept. 14.—A wireless news despatch from Rome says that at the general council of the central powers at the headquarters of the German emperor, an offensive campaign in the Balkans was mapped and that Germany will send 200,000 men for this purpose.

GREEKS GIVE UP FORTS

Athens, Wednesday, Sept. 13, via London, Sept. 14.—The British legation today informed Garrett Dropers, the American ministers, that the Greeks have surrendered to the Bulgarians, the last of the forts defending the seaport of Kavala, in north-eastern Greece. Several of the forts were occupied some time ago by the Bulgarians. Warships of the entente allies have removed 1,500 Greek soldiers to Thasos. Riots at Kavala is reported and it is said houses and shops have been pillaged. Many were endangered. No ships are permitted to remain in the harbor.

GERMANS LAUNCH ATTACK.

Paris, Sept. 14.—The Germans made vigorous efforts last night to drive the French from territory captured recently on the Somme and Verdun fronts. The war office today announced the repulse of several assaults north and south of the Somme and east of the Meuse, at Vaux-Chapitre Wood.

Serbs and Bulgarians are engaged in violent fighting on the Macedonian front. The war office announced today that the Serbs had captured Bulgarian trenches near Vetrovit and a height northwest of Lake Ostrovo. An engagement south of the lake is turning in favor of the allies.

ALLIES LOSE HEAVILY.

Berlin, Sept. 14.—Repeated and violent assaults against the Germans on the Somme front yesterday were repulsed with sanguinary losses for the allies, the war office announced today.

AMMONIA TANK EXPLODES; SIX REPORTED DEAD

Newark, N. J., Sept. 14.—Six men were reported to have been killed as the result of an ammonia tank explosion which occurred here early this afternoon in the plant of the Interstate Milk & Cream Co.

NAVAL ADVISORY BOARD TO MEET IN WASHINGTON

A. L. Riker Will Leave For Conference Aboard Presidential Yacht.

A. L. Riker, chairman of the committee on internal combustion motors of the naval advisory board, will leave Bridgeport Monday to attend the meeting of the board for the purpose of reorganizing under the newly enacted provision of the naval appropriation bill.

The chief purpose of the meeting next week will be the discussion of plans for use of an appropriation of two million dollars for the establishment of an experimental laboratory and consideration of sites for the same.

Another important factor in the deliberations of the board will be the consideration of a plan to bring to the attention of the civilian engineers of the country the need of the navy for more engineer officers on the active and reserve list.

An interesting feature of the meeting will be a trip on the Mayflower to the Southern Drill Grounds to witness target practice. The board will go on the Mayflower Tuesday for its business session, which will progress while the yacht is proceeding towards the drill grounds. The Mayflower will return to Washington on Thursday morning.

AUTO HITS P. O. MESSENGER

The left leg of James Moriarty, messenger in the service of the local post office, was injured as he rode in front of an automobile owned and driven by Elmy Eichinger, 452 Newfield avenue, in front of the post office alley this afternoon. He was treated at the emergency hospital. The bicycle was demolished. No arrests were made as the blame was placed by the police on Moriarty.

FALLS OFF TROLLEY.

The ambulance corps was called to Railroad and Park avenues at 7:50 o'clock this morning where Miss Agnes Bonnell, aged 25 years, an employee of the G. C. Batcheller Corset Co. was said to have fallen from a moving trolley car. She was hysterical and had suffered an injury to her left knee. She was taken to St. Vincent's hospital.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA AGAIN DECLARE FOR OPEN DOOR POLICY

YOU DON'T HAVE TO PAY YOUR FARE IN A JITNEY IN BRIDGEPORT

Under a ruling made by Judge F. A. Bartlett in the city court today, from statutory citations furnished by Attorney Homer Platt of Milford and uncontested by the prosecuting attorney, jitney drivers have no legal power to enforce collection of fares from passengers under the criminal law.

The case in point was that of George Hickey of Milford, arrested Sunday night upon the complaint of Samuel Dryer, a jitney driver of 14 William street, that Hickey had attempted to evade a fare. Though Hickey forfeited \$25 bonds, Monday, the case, reopened this morning introduced evidence that the statutes of Connecticut cover evasion of fares for all vehicles except jitney buses, which at the time the laws were passed were not known as common carriers. Judge Bartlett declared that under conditions he would have to nolle the case. The only recourse to be had is legislation to include the jitney within the definition of a "common carrier" association will, it is understood, appeal the case.

CHARITIES BOARD SELECTS LUCEY FOR CLERKSHIP

Begins New Duties on Monday, Succeeding Walter W. Garrity, Resigned.

A. A. Lucey, aged 25, of 63 Olive street, clerk in a local real estate office, has been selected by the board of charities to fill the clerkship left vacant by the recent resignation of the clerk, Walter W. Garrity, for a clerkship in the office of the board of contract and supply. Lucey will assume his new duties on Monday. The clerkship pays \$750 a year.

The new clerk is a graduate of St. Augustine's parochial school. He spent two years in the Bridgeport high school, and later studied in schools in Hartford and Baltimore. He has been employed in the First Bridgeport National bank, and late in Robert G. Whitney's real estate office. Mr. Lucey was selected by the charities commissioners from about a dozen applicants.

Since Garrity has been with the board of contract, the clerical work of the department has been done by Miss Elizabeth Merry, stenographer of the department.

Bronson Hawley Homestead, Over Century Old, Gives Way to Progress.

A \$200,000 business block with stores, restaurants and other features about two years in the Bridgeport corner of Main and Franklin street to replace the present Bronson Hawley homestead, built more than 100 years ago and the childhood playground of the late F. Burr Hawley, Miss Susan Hawley Davis, the noted singer, and other members of the Hawley family well known in this city.

When completed, plans will be submitted to Charles D. Davis, president of the Davis & Hawley Co. The property is owned by Mrs. Davis.

This projected building, by reason of its size and the handsome material that is expected to enter into its construction, will give added impetus to the building boom that has recently changed the appearance of Main street above Congress.

While there are intimations that the upper floors will be such size, number and arrangement that housing may be had for one of the large fraternal organizations now known to be looking for added accommodations, the rumor is not authenticated today.

Bronson Hawley, who is said to have erected the original house, was a noted figure in the early development of Bridgeport. The house still stands, though many additions and improvements have been made to the property, which almost eradicate the original lines. In its destruction, though for a good purpose, Bridgeport will lose another noted landmark.

DETROIT, Mich., Sept. 14.—Four men are dead and a score of others narrowly escaped from a fire which swept the Salvation Army Industrial building early today. About 75 persons were in the building when the fire was discovered. Most of them were on the second and third floors. One of the men who jumped from a top story may die. The property loss was nominal.

Formal Communications to State Department Say That New Russo-Japanese Treaty Does Not Revoke Former Treaties As To Chinese Program.

Documents Substantiate Early Assurances Presented to American Ambassador in Response to Inquiries From U. S. As to Future Policies.

Washington, Sept. 14.—Both Japan and Russia have given the United States formal assurances that the new Russo-Japanese treaty does not repeal or affect the treaties of 1907 and 1910 in which those nations pledged themselves to maintain the integrity of China and the open door policy.

The assurances were given to Ambassadors Guthrie at Tokio and Francis at Petrograd in response to inquiries.

Department officials let it be known that the statements were entirely satisfactory and that inquiries regarding the new treaty over which they had been considerably disturbed, probably would not be pressed further.

A statement issued today by the state department says: "This request was transmitted through Ambassador Guthrie Aug. 16. An oral response was made at that time, reaffirming adherence to the open door policy, but the Japanese government has now most courteously addressed a note to the ambassador dated Sept. 13 with the following assurance:

"The imperial government desires to assure the American government that the new convention is in no sense designed to repeal or to modify the provisions of Articles 2 of the convention concluded between Japan and Russia on July 31, 1907, nor have the imperial government entertained for a moment any intention to depart from the policy to which they have avowedly committed themselves respecting the maintenance of the independence and territorial integrity of China as well as the principle of equal opportunities for the trade of all nations in that country. On the contrary they are strongly convinced as ever of the usefulness of that policy in the interests of general peace and stability in the Far East which they have always very near their hearts."

The result of similar inquiries made at Petrograd regarding the effect of the new treaty is commented upon by the state department as follows:

"The minister for foreign affairs of the imperial government in like manner assured the American ambassador in response to his inquiry, that his government had not withdrawn from the conventions of 1907 and 1910, but will maintain unimpaired the provisions of those agreements notwithstanding the fact that no mention of them was made in the convention of 1916."

The treaties of 1907 and 1910 between Japan and Russia affirmed China's territorial integrity and the open door policy. Article 20 of the 1907 treaty was reaffirmed with slightly different wording in the 1910 convention, reads:

"The two contracting parties recognize the independence and territorial integrity of the empire of China and the principle of equal opportunity in whatever concerns commerce and industry of all nations in that empire and engage to sustain and defend the maintenance of the status quo and respect for this principle by all the specific means within their reach."

State department officials today expressed complete satisfaction with the unequivocal reply made by Japan and the statement from the Russian foreign office. They feel these assurances with no doubt as to the maintenance of the open door policy and regard for American interests in China.

SALVATION ARMY HOME IS BURNED; FOUR ARE KILLED

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